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44. Act of July 1, 1944, Contract Settlement Act of 1944, Section 18 (A) (Ch. 358, 58 Stat. 667, 41 U.S.C., Supp. IV, 119). Provides that it shall be unlawful to secrete or destroy certain records by war contractors and purchasers until "five years after the termination of hostilities in the present war as proclaimed by the President or by a concurrent resolution of the two houses of Congress or until five years after disposition of termination inventory or contract settlement, whichever shall be earliest."

45. Act of April 24, 1945 (Public Law 39, 79th Cong., 1st Sess.). Section 3 amends Section 17 of the Reclamation Project Act of 1939 (53 Stat. 1187, 1198) by extending the authority granted in Sections 3 and 4 of the act for modification of existing repayment contracts or other forms of obligations to pay construction charges "through Dec. 31, 1950, or Dec. 31 of the fifth full calendar year after the cessation of hostilities in the present war, as determined by proclamation of the President or concurrent resolution of the Congress, whichever period is the longer."

46. Act of Oct. 3, 1944 (Public Law 457, 78th Cong., 2d Sess.), Surplus Property Act of 1944. Section 38 provides: "Unless extended by law, this act shall expire at the end of three years following the date of the cessation of hostilities in the present war. For the purposes of this section the term 'date of the cessation of hostilities in the present war' means the date proclaimed by the President as the date of such cessation, or the date specified in a concurrent resolution of the two houses of Congress as the date of such cessation, whichever is the earlier."

47. ACT OF AUG. 24, 1942 (56 Stat. 747; 18 U. S. C., Sec. 890A), as Amended by Section 19B of the ACT of JULY 1, 1944 (Public 395, 78th Cong., 2d Sess.), CONTRACT SETTLEMENT ACT of 1944, which suspends the running of any existing statute of limitations applicable in certain cases involving the defrauding of the United States "until three years after the termination of hostilities in the present war as proclaimed by the President or by a concurrent resolution of the two houses of Congress."

New Secretaries Authorized

48. ACT of DEC. 8, 1944 (Public Law 472, 78th Cong., 2d Sess.). Authorizes the appointment of two additional assistant Secretaries of State "for the period of the emergency and not to exceed two years following the cessation of hostilities."

49. ACT of OCT. 2, 1942 (Secs. 8A and 9A), 56 Stat. 765, 768, as Amended. Authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture and the Commodity Credit Corporation to use funds to support the prices of basic and non-basic agricultural commodities during "the two-year period beginning with the first day of January immediately following the date upon which the President by proclamation or the Congress by concurrent resolution declares that hostilities in the present war have terminated."

50. ACT OF APRIL 12, 1945 (Public Law 30, 79th Cong.). Authorizes the Commodity Credit Corporation to dispose of cotton free from the restrictions prescribed in Section 381 (C) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended (7 U. S. C. 1381 (C)). The operation of Section 381 (C) of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 is suspended until "the expiration of the two-year period beginning with the first day of January immediately following the date on which the President, by proclamation, or the Congress, by concurrent resolution, declares that hostilities in the present war have terminated."

51. INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, Section 780, provides for Post-War Excess Profits Tax Refund Bonds to mature on the last day of the second, third, fourth or fifth year beginning after "the date on which hostilities in the present war between the United States and the Governments of Germany, Japan and Italy cease as fixed by proclamation of the President or by concurrent resolution of the two houses of Congress, whichever date is earlier, or in case the hostilities between the United States and such governments do not cease at the same time such date as may be so fixed as an appropriate date for the purposes of this section."